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THE UN HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE ON INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION AND
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(SBU) We delivered on August 3 reftel demarche on preparations for the UN High Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development to Intan Zurina Dollah, MFA Assistant Secretary for Regional Cooperation. Stating that the MFA is currently working at the inter-agency level to coordinate Malaysia's position on international migration, Ms. Intan stressed that the issue falls under the purview of the Ministry of Home Affairs. While she could not provide the official GOM response to the demarche in her response on August 7, Zurina did recognize that "most governments in the region are uncomfortable with the issue of international migration because of the potential clash with national interest." Although the delegation has yet to be finalized, Ms. Intan assumed it would be led by the Minister of Home Affairs and confirmed that the Foreign Minister would not attend the High Level Dialogue.
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